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SUBJECT: KHMER REPRESENTATION AT UNGA

REF: STATE 219689

1. UNGA WILL CONSIDER KHMER ITEM IN PLENARY DECEMBER 4-6.

DEPT AND USUN VOTING ESTIMATES INDICATE PRO-SIHANOUK

SUPPORTERS STILL HOLD SLENDER LEAD.

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2. UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE OVERRIDING OBJECTION, YOU SHOULD APPROACH HOST GOVTS ON URGENT BASIS AND AT HIGHEST APPROPRIATE LEVEL TO REGISTER STRENGTH OF US OPPOSITION TO PRO-SIHANOUK ITEM. YOU SHOULD TAILOR YOUR APPROACHES IN LIGHT REFTEL AND SPECIFIC COMMENTS BELOW. YOU MAY STRESS THAT MAJORITY VOTE AGAINST GKR WILL (A) GREATLY COMPLICATE POSSIBILITIES OF NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT IN CAMBODIA AND (B) BE GRAVE PRECEDENT CONSTITUTING UN MEDDLING IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF SOVEREIGN MEMBER STATE.

3. FYI. US IS LESS INTERESTED IN WINNING VOTE THAN IN AVOIDING IT ALTOGETHER. ASIAN AND USUN SOUNDINGS IN NEW YORK SHOW MAJORITY OF DELEGATIONS WOULD FAVOR DEFERRAL AND PRO-GKR ASIANS NOW FAVOR DEFERRAL TACTIC. MEANWHILE, WE NEED CONTINUE TO LOBBY IN CAPITALS FOR DEFEAT OF SUBSTANCE OF ITEM, TO GENERATE EVIDENCE OF ENOUGH SUPPORT TO PERSUADE OTHER SIDE TO DROP MATTER FOR THIS YEAR.

4. FYI. THUS YOU SHOULD NOT VOLUNTEER POSSIBILITY OF DEFERRING OR AVOIDING VOTE ON SUBSTANCE OF ISSUE, BEARING IN MIND THAT SUCH PROPOSAL, TO SUCCEED, SHOULD BE SEEN TO ARISE IN UNGA AS COMPROMISE BETWEEN PRO-GKR AND PRO-SIHANOUK SUPPORTERS. HOWEVER, IF HOST MENTIONS DEFERMENT AS OPTION, YOU MAY INDICATE THAT IF ANY DEL WERE TO PROPOSE DEFERRAL TO 28TH UNGA, WE WOULD GO ALONG. END FYI.

5. FOR KINGSTON AND GEORGETOWN: WE ESTIMATE YOUR GOVTS MAY VOTE FOR PRO-SIHANOUK RES.

6. FOR QUITO: BELIEVE ECUADOR WILL SUPPORT GKR BUT WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION GOE POSITION.

7. FOR DUBLIN: IRISH UN DEL GIVEN LEEWAY VOTE FOR GKR OR ABSTAIN. REQUEST YOU REMIND GOI OF OUR VIEWS AND UNDERLINE HOPE GOI WILL SUPPORT GKR.

8. FOR NICOSIA: WE DO NOT EXPECT TURN GOC VOTE FROM ABSTENTION TO PRO-GKR, BUT HOPE IT WILL FIND PROSPECT OF VOTE ON SUBSTANCE SUFFICIENTLY UNCOMFORTABLE TO PUT ITS WEIGHT IN NEW YORK BEHIND PRO-DEFERMENT MOVES WHEN CONFIDENTIAL

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9. FOR TEHRAN AND SANTIAGO: DEPT UNCERTAIN WHETHER IRANIAN AND CHILEAN COMMITMENTS TO SUPPORT GKR IN LAW OF SEA CONTEXT (TEHRAN 7949 AND SANTIAGO 5561) VALID FOR GRUNK ITEM. REQUEST YOU CLARIFY SITUATION WITH HOSTS PER FOREGOING. KISSINGER

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